IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1-36. Cancelled.
- 37. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

displaying, using a computing device, a first interface that comprises a plurality of variables associated with trading at least one item;

receiving, via a selection of a variable, a trading command to trade in the at least one item, in which the act of selection occurs at a remote device that is connected to the computing device via a network via a first interface, the first interface displaying at least one trading variable associated with trading the item;

presenting generating a second interface in response to receiving the <u>selection of the variable trading command</u>, in <u>which</u> the second interface comprising comprises:

at least one size field that is alterable;

at least one price field that is alterable; and

 \underline{a} button for $\underline{confirming}$ $\underline{submitting}$ the trading command \underline{being} $\underline{submitted}$ and a data entry field;

automatically repositioning a <u>cursor</u> pointing device pointer over the at least one button in the second interface <u>to be positioned over the button for submitting the trading</u> <u>command</u>; and

posting the at least one trading variable from the first interface in the data entry field with a selection of the at least one button once; and

submitting the trade trading command for execution in response to receiving a selection of the at least one button again at the remote device.

38. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein in which each of the plurality of variables trading command comprises at least one of:

a bid command, the at least one button comprises a bid button for confirming the

bid command, and the at least one trading variable comprises

a bid price, the

a bid size,

an offer price, and

an offer size.

price displayed in the first interface posted in the data entry field with the selection

of the bid button at least once.

39. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, in which the act of displaying

the first interface further comprises:

displaying the at least one variable in a color when the in response to a pointer

pointing device passes passing over the at least one [[a]] variable on a display screen.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein in which the variable

that is selected in the first interface comprises a bid size. the trading command comprises

an offer command, the at least one button comprises an offer button for confirming the

offer command, and the at least one trading variable comprises an offer price, the offer

price displayed in the first interface posted in the data entry field with the selection of the

offer button.

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50. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37 40, wherein in which the act of generating the second interface further the trading command comprises:

automatically posting the [[a]] bid size in command, the at least one size field button comprises a bid button for confirming the bid command, and the pointing device pointer is repositioned over the bid button.

51-62. (Canceled)

63. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[4]] 50, wherein in which the trading command is submitted at second-interface-comprises a price field and a size field, and wherein one of the bid price is posted in the price field with a selection of the bid price in the first interface and the bid size that is posted in the at least one size field with a selection of the bid size in the first interface.

64. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 63 40, wherein in which the bid trading command is submitted for execution at a best bid price when where the trading command a bid is submitted without a price.

65. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[6]] 37, wherein in which the variable that is selected in the first second interface comprises [[a]] price field and a size field, and wherein one of the offer price is posted in the price field with a selection of the offer price in the first interface and the an offer size; and

in which the act of generating the second interface further comprises:

automatically posting is posted in the offer size in the at least one the size field with a selection of the offer size in the first interface.

66. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[4]] 37, wherein in which the variable that is selected in the second first interface comprises a bid price; and

in which the act of generating field, and wherein the bid price from the first second interface further comprises:

 $\underline{automatically} \ \underline{is\ posted\ in\ posting} \ the \ \underline{bid\ price\ in\ the\ at\ least\ one} \ price\ field \underline{\ with\ a}$

67. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[6]] 37, wherein in which the variable that is selected in the first second interface comprises [[a]] an price field, and wherein the offer price; and

in which the act of generating the second from the first interface further comprises:

automatically posting is posted in the offer price in the at least one price field with a selection of the at least one button once and the offer command is submitted for execution with a selection of the at least one button again.

68. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method of claim 37, in which comprisings displaying

the selection of a first variable in the first interface corresponds to comprising at least one bid variable and at least one offer variable associated with trading an item, each variable selectable for submitting a first trading command, at least one bid variable and at least one offer variable each individually selectable for submitting different trading commands:

receiving a trading command with a selection of one of the bid variable and the offer variable displayed in the first interface; and

displaying the selection of a second variable in the first interface corresponds to in response to a selection of one of the bid variable and the offer variable, the second interface comprising at least one button for confirming the a second trading command being submitted.

69. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 68, wherein in which the bid variable comprises at least one of a bid price and a bid size, and wherein the offer variable comprises at least one of an offer price and an offer size, at least a first trading command submitted with a selection of one of the bid price and the bid size, and at least a and the second trading command are different, submitted with a selection of one of the offer price, and the offer size.

70-75. Cancelled.

76. (New) An apparatus comprising:

a processor; and

a memory, in which the memory stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 37.

- 77. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 38.
- 78. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 39
- (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 40.
- 80. (New) The apparatus of claim 79, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 50.
- 81. (New) The apparatus of claim 80, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 63.
- 82. (New) The apparatus of claim 79, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 64.

83. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of

claim 65.

84. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions

which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of

claim 66.

85. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions

which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of

claim 67.

86. (New) The apparatus of claim 76, in which the memory further stores instructions

which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of

claim 68.

87. (New) The apparatus of claim 86, in which the memory further stores instructions

which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of

claim 69.

88. (New) An article of manufacture comprising:

a storage medium, in which the storage medium stores instructions which, when executed

by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 37.

89. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further

stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 38.

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90. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 39.

91. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 40.

92. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 91, in which the storage medium further

stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 50.

93. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 92, in which the storage medium further

stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 63.

94. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 91, in which the storage medium

further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to

perform the method of claim 64.

95. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further

stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 65.

96. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further

stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform

the method of claim 66.

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97. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 67.

98. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 88, in which the storage medium further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 68.

99. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 98, in which the storage medium further stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 69.